

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Public Utilities Commission
San Francisco

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Date: April 5, 2006

To: The Commission
(Meeting of April 13, 2006)

From: Delaney Hunter, Director
Office of Governmental Affairs (OGA) — Sacramento

Subject: **AB 2391 (Committee on Utilities & Commerce) –
Distributed energy resources: reporting requirement
As Introduced February 23, 2006**

LEGISLATIVE SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Support (*CPUC Sponsored bill*)

SUMMARY OF BILL:

This bill serves as a clean up vehicle to consolidate, eliminate or modify the 47 reports the Commission is now required to file with the Legislature and other state agencies.

DIVISION ANALYSIS (OGA):

Currently the Commission is required to file more than 47 reports with the Legislature, Governor and various state and federal agencies. Some of these reports are one time reports required by state budget action or specific legislation. Other reports are annual reports on information ranging from hazardous materials on rail lines to the annual report and work plan.

There appears to be a high percentage of staff time being spent on the preparation of reports. Through eliminating reports that no longer appear useful, consolidating information contained in smaller reports into larger reports, such as the annual report or the work plan, or modifying the reporting dates to better manage information/data, it is hoped that staff can better manage the other business of the Commission.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

None

FISCAL IMPACT:

Unknown, though savings are likely due to reduced staff time and reprographic services needed to prepare and submit reports.

STATUS:

This bill is scheduled for a hearing before the Assembly Utilities and Commerce Committee on April 17, 2006.

SUPPORT/OPPOSITION:

None on file

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BILL LANGUAGE:

BILL NUMBER: AB 2391 INTRODUCED
 BILL TEXT

INTRODUCED BY Committee on Utilities and Commerce (Levine (Chair),
 Bogh (Vice Chair), Baca, Blakeslee, Cohn, De La Torre, Jerome Horton,
 Montanez, Ridley-Thomas, and Wyland)

FEBRUARY 23, 2006

An act to amend Section 353.15 of the Public Utilities Code,
 relating to energy resources.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2391, as introduced, Committee on Utilities and Commerce
 Distributed energy resources: reporting requirement.

Existing law requires customers that install distributed energy
 resources to report annually to the Public Utilities Commission
 specified information about the energy resources. Existing law also
 required the commission to evaluate that information, and, within two
 years of the effective date of the act that added these
 requirements, to prepare and submit to the Governor and the
 Legislature a report recommending any changes to the article.

This bill would delete the obsolete requirement that the
 commission make this report.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
 State-mandated local program: no.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Section 353.15 of the Public Utilities Code is amended
 to read:

353.15. (a) In order to evaluate the efficiency, emissions, and
 reliability of distributed energy resources with a capacity greater
 than 10 kilowatts, customers that install those resources pursuant to
 this article shall report to the commission, on an annual basis, all
 of the following information, as recorded on a monthly basis:

(1) Heat rate for the resource.

(2) Total kilowatthours produced in the peak and off-peak periods,
 as determined by the ISO.

(3) Emissions data for the resource, as required by the State Air
 Resources Board or the appropriate air quality management district or
 air pollution control district.

(b) The commission shall release the information submitted
 pursuant to subdivision (a) in a manner that does not identify the
 individual user of the distributed energy resource.

~~—(c) The commission, in consultation with the State Air Resources
 Board, air quality management districts, air pollution control~~

~~districts, and the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission, shall evaluate the information submitted pursuant to subdivision (a) and, within two years of the effective date of the act adding this article, prepare and submit to the Governor and the Legislature a report recommending any changes to this article it determines necessary based upon that information.~~